

Canine Bulletin

Nebraska Task Force - 1

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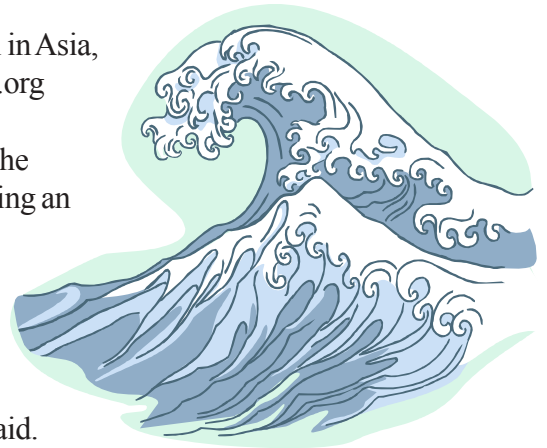
Victim Assistance

Submitted by: Lynne Engelbert

If anyone is looking for a good way to donate to the victims of the tsunami in Asia, here is one that I recommend you take a look at. <https://www.americares.org>

Disease is going to be massive in the effective areas. AmeriCares makes the following statement on their website and it was just repeated on CNN during an interview with an AmeriCares spokesperson:

In fiscal year 2003, every \$100 donated enabled AmeriCares to deliver \$2,880 in emergency relief - everything from medicines like antibiotics and analgesics to medical supplies like bandages, syringes and nutritional supplements. With a global reach that has extended to more than 137 countries since 1982, AmeriCares has delivered more than \$3.4 billion in aid.



It's times like this when we need to count our blessings and help where we can.

Conco Quarries' Regional Training Site

Submitted by: Elaine Sawtell

Canine handlers have been busy this fall at our training facility in Willard, MO. Here are some of the highlights.

A Visitor From Oklahoma City

In November, Jo Wolf, recently named Volunteer of the Year at the Oklahoma City National Memorial, attended one of our training sessions. Jo has made several trips to New York as an advisor on the WTC Memorial and thus has an appreciation for the importance of canine search. Like many, she was surprised to learn of this unique facility in southern Missouri and wrote a letter of appreciation to Conco. Here is a copy of what she wrote:

Recently I had a chance to witness training sessions with some incredible dogs and their equally incredible handlers at the training site South of Willard. The site that was so generously donated and prepared by you and your company.

Elaine Sawtell, Deborah Goodman, and Jim McConnell were saying how grateful they are to have this first class facility so close. It's obvious to me this saves them precious time and resources they would otherwise have to expend traveling to some other location in order to keep their teams on the trained edge they must maintain ALL the time.

I'm involved with the Oklahoma City National Memorial and have many friends in New York City since 9/11; we all know the part these US&R teams performed during our darkest time.

Thank you, for investing your resources on behalf of all of us who may at anytime need these teams to come to our aid as a result of some disaster. And I know that a site such as the one at Willard will help Kachi, Kiera, and Abby be at the best state of readiness possible.



Jo Wolf with Ditto at Conco

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Spools From Motf-1

Missouri Task Force 1 has delivered three loads of spools to the Conco site. These have been added to the rubble pile and also incorporated as agility obstacles.



New Year's Eve At Conco

Handlers from three USAR Task Forces, Nebraska, Missouri and Indiana, spent part of their New Year's Eve training at the Conco site. It was the culmination of four days of training, starting in Lincoln on Tuesday, Columbia, MO, on Wednesday, and Conco on Thursday and Friday. Handlers training at Conco included Kathleen and K9 Calvary, Missouri Task Force 1; Brenda Sullivan and K9 Chet, Indiana Task Force 1; Jim and K9 Abby, Dave and K9 Bailey, Deborah and K9 Kiera, Kyle and K9 Reggie, and Elaine and K9 Kachi from Nebraska Task Force 1.

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Chet from Indiana Task Force 1.



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Jim McConnell with Deborah Goodman's dog - Kiera from NETF1.

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